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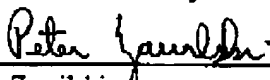
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RESPONSE & AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated May 4, 2006, Applicants request consideration of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification there are no amendments in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.